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IMPLANTATION DEVICE



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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This amendment is being filed in reply to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, mailed July 8, 2004, in connection with the above application. Please enter the following amendments:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.